

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), a three-month extension of the period for reply, i.e., up to and including January 24, 2010, is requested. As January 24, 2010 is a Sunday, the period for reply is extended further to the next business day, i.e., Monday, January 25, 2010.

Enclosed is a payment of \$ 1110.00 for the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additionally required fee for this extension of time, or any other fee occasioned by this paper, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.